



NEWS FROM THE CITY OF CARLSBAD POLICE DEPARTMENT

*For immediate release*

**Arrest of Auto Theft Suspect**

Sept. 20, 2013

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| Crime/Incident: | Auto Theft, Possession of Stolen Property and Resisting Arrest | Case: | 13-06115  |
| Date:           | Sept. 20, 2013   | Time: | 1757 hrs. |
| Location:       | Westwood Drive/Blenkarne Drive Carlsbad, CA                    |       |           |
| Suspect 1:      | Robert Yanez   | Age:  | 48        |

On 9-20-13 at about 1744 hours, the Carlsbad Police Department received a call from a victim of an auto theft on the 3000 block of Monroe Street in Carlsbad. The victim's vehicle was stolen from her driveway after the vehicle containing her purse was left running and unattended for a brief period. Several officers were dispatched to the crime.

Soon thereafter, several more calls came into the Carlsbad Police Department from the area of 3000 Blenkarne Drive from neighbors reporting seeing a man run from the stolen vehicle while carrying a purse.

At about 1757 hours, Cpl. M. Ernst with his canine partner located the suspect at the intersection of Westwood Drive and Blenkarne Drive. The resistant suspect was arrested with the assistance of the police canine. The Carlsbad Fire Department responded to the scene and treated the suspect for injuries he received from contact with the canine. The suspect was transported by paramedics to a local hospital for further treatment.

The suspect identified himself as Robert Yanez but was not in possession of identification. Yanez will be booked at the Vista Detention Facility for violation of 10851(a) CVC. Auto Theft, 496(a) P.C. Possession of Stolen Property and 148(a)(1) P.C. Resisting Arrest.

The victim's vehicle and purse were all recovered in good condition due to the valuable information provided by neighborhood witnesses.

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